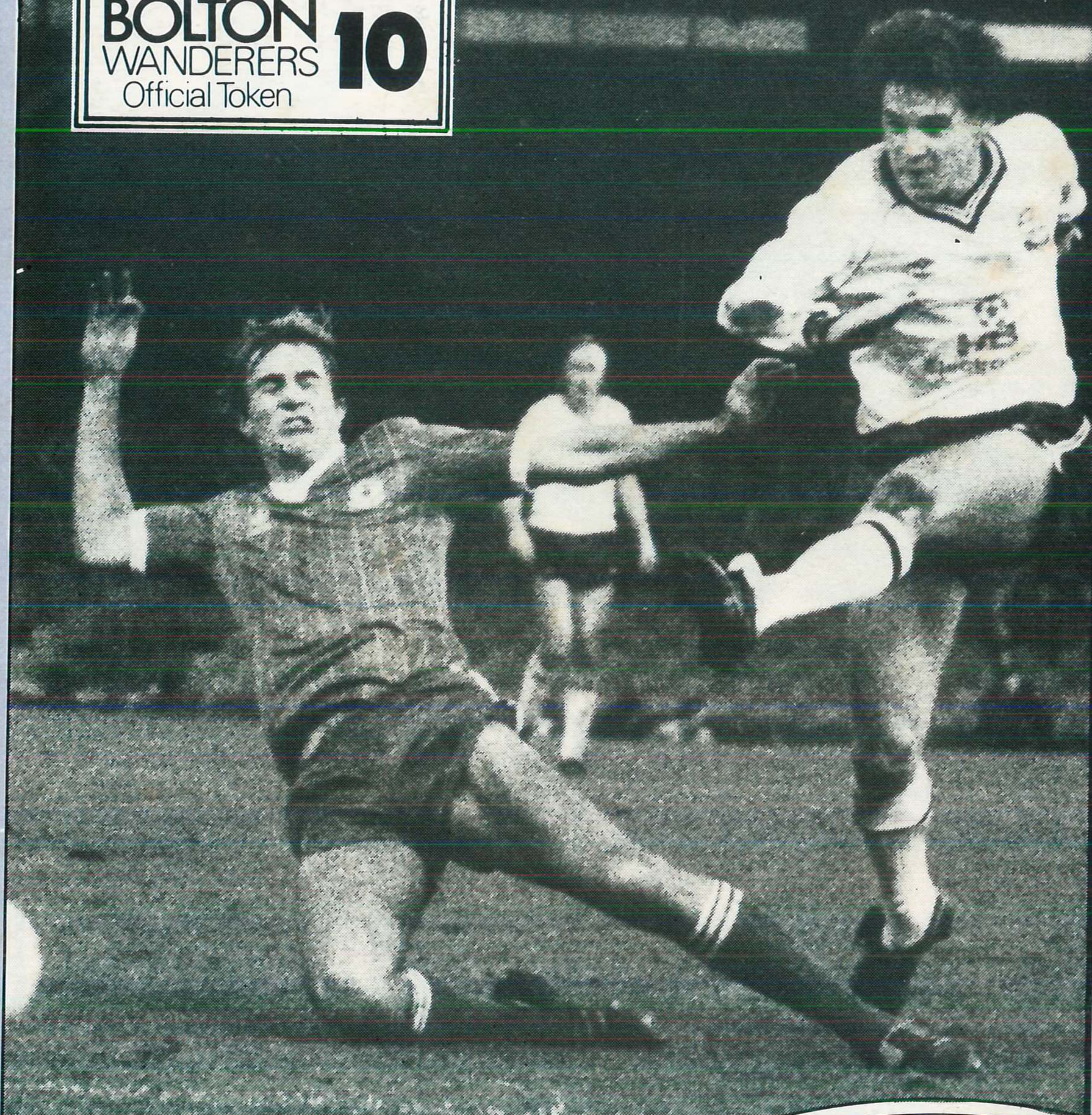


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Mark Holt of Little Lever receives the award from John McGovern after winning the penalty-prize competition at an Open Day for the young adult unemployed here at Burnden Park last week.

Also in the picture are, from left (front row) the other penalty finalists: Barry Varley, Garry Hilton, Jeff Robinson, Willie Nuttall, and Craig Richardson. With them are, back row from left: John Goffee, senior youth officer, Nat Lofthouse and Keith Laird one of the Open Day organisers from Castle Hill Youth Centre.

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John McGovern

While obviously having hoped to finish the job off at Tranmere on Saturday, I'm at least delighted for our fans that tonight's replay gives them the chance to see us in action at Burnden Park for a change since we are here in the middle of a run of away games.

We have home advantage on our side tonight and should fancy our chances of progressing into the second round — but there are no certainties in football so any of our supporters, or indeed any of our players who expect this game to be a foregone conclusion should bear in mind the surprises the FA Cup can often throw up.

I can recall one occasion in particular when I was playing for Derby County. Having drawn at the Baseball Ground in a Cup tie against Spurs we went to White Hart Lane where, in the replay, we trailed 3-1 with only four minutes left.

Most of the Derby fans were leaving the ground and on their way to the station when they heard we had scored twice in the last few minutes.

The match went into extra time and we ended up winning 5-3 — Roger Davies scoring a hat-trick!

Just as we have seen against Newport and Orient in our last two home games, goals can be scored, often in the dying seconds let alone



the last few minutes.

What we must not forget tonight is that the Cup always provides the underdogs with a chance. Your luck, run of the ball, good or bad refereeing decisions become increasingly more critical.

After 90 minutes if you have lost you are out — that's it!

You've then got to wait another year before you can have another crack.

FRONT COVER: Wayne Foster gets in a shot at goal in the game against Orient. Pics by Bolton Evening News



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Welcome to the Park

TRANMERE ROVERS ENCOURAGING START BY TRANMERE

by Tony Pullein

Life has taken on a little more meaning for Tranmere Rovers following the traumatic events of last season. The club was destined to close down last December but this was postponed to enable them to stay together for an F.A. Cup tie. Before the second, and final, closing date arrived the local council saved the situation by advancing the club a loan and giving them a long period for repayment.

After they had overcome that problem, Rovers faced the threat of having to apply for re-election to the Fourth Division but they managed to pull clear and in the end took 19th position.

Player-manager Bryan Hamilton was exceptionally active in the transfer market during the summer. Welsh international goalkeeper Dai Davies, defenders John McMahon and David Philpotts plus forwards Mark Hilditch and Mark Allen were among his signings.

Rovers have enjoyed an encouraging season so far and are currently in a very good position to challenge for promotion. So far they have won only two away games, at Hartlepool (1-0) and Halifax (2-1). They drew at Torquay (1-1), Northampton (0-0) and Aldershot (1-1) but went down at Mansfield (0-1) Peterborough (0-2) and Darlington (0-1).

Their Milk Cup hopes were short-lived. They lost 0-1 at Preston in the first-leg of round one and could only draw the return 0-0.

Tranmere Rovers have spent most of their existence in the shadow of the two Liverpool giants on the opposite side of the Mersey. And, apart from a solitary season in the Second Division immediately before the war, they have spent their entire League career in the Third and Fourth Divisions.

The club, which takes the name of the district in the Borough of Birkenhead, was formed in 1883. Sixteen years later there was a split in the committee when one faction wanted to break away from purely local football. Eventually, a breakaway club, Birkenhead F.C. was established but this met with failure and folded after seven years.

Tranmere plodded on slowly, progressing through the Lancashire Alliance to the Lancashire Combination. When the Third Division (North) was formed in 1921, Tranmere became a founder member. It was then that they first felt the real challenge of competing against their wealthy and successful neighbours.

There were those who heralded a breakthrough when Tranmere gained promotion to the Second Division in 1938 but any ambitions they might have held to oust Everton or Liverpool from their powerful positions quickly faded as Tranmere finished bottom of the table — 14 points behind the next club — in their initial campaign in Division Two. And, as they dropped back into the Third, so Everton were crowned League champions.

Though they have made occasional bids to return to the Second Division, Tranmere have never quite made it. Usually they were located in the lower regions of Division Three and, in 1961, when they cut things a little too fine they found themselves languishing in the Fourth Division. But they had a successful spell in the lower section, twice missing promotion by a single position before eventually making it in 1967.

They were nearly down again in 1972 when they were saved only on goal-average after losing their last two games — both at home. But three years later they went down again, this in spite of a tremendous late rally which produced seven points for their final four games.

On that occasion they jumped back at the first attempt. But they were relegated again in 1979 and are still trying to win back their place in Division Three.

Over the years Tranmere have produced many outstanding players, the most recent one being Steve Coppell who starred for Manchester United and England until his career was ended by injury this year. Going back, Tranmere discovered such legendary figures as Pongo Waring and Dixie Dean — both England internationals — down to England's centre-back of not so long ago, Roy McFarland.

DAI DAVIES (Goalkeeper). Dai is one of a select band of players to win more than 50 caps for Wales, making his 52nd appearance against Yugoslavia last season. He began his League career with Swansea in 1969/70 and was transferred to Everton for £15,000 in 1971. At that time he got only rare opportunities in the Toffees' first team and, in 1973/74, he returned to Swansea on loan. The following season he eventually won a place in the Everton side and it was from that point that his international career got under way. In 1977 he was transferred to Wrexham where



Back Row: Dave Burgess, Owen Brown, Mark Ferguson, Joe Craven, Ray Woods, Steve Mungall.
Middle Row: Ray Mathias (Asst. Manager), Les Parry, John Williams, Dai Davies, Mark Hilditch, Nigel Adkins, Mark Allen, Andy Brown, Gary Williams.
Front Row: John McMahon, Steve Jones, Robbie Sansbury, Bryan Hamilton (Team Manager), Neville Powell, Mark Horgan, Mark Palios.

he remained for four seasons until returning to Swansea for £45,000. He joined Tranmere this summer.

JOHN McMAHON (Defender). John spent his early years with Preston. In 1970/71 he turned out on loan for Southend but he returned to Deepdale to make more than 250 League appearances before moving on to Crewe in 1979. Wigan signed him two years later and he signed for Tranmere this summer.

LES PARRY (Defender). Les has been a Tranmere professional since 1972 and he made his 250th League appearance for them on the opening day of this season.

MARK PALIOS (Defender). Mark returned to his original club last season after a three-year spell with Crewe Alexandra. He made his League debut for Tranmere in 1973.

DAVID HIGGINS (Defender). David developed in Tranmere's youth team and was given his first outing in the club's League eleven at Mansfield in September this year.

STEVE MUNGALL (Defender). Steve entered first-class football with Motherwell in 1976/77 and was transferred to Tranmere during the 1979 close-season.

DAVID PHILPOTTS (Defender). David started his career with Coventry but got only three games in their League eleven. He joined Southport on loan in 1973/74 and was transferred to Tranmere the following season. When he was released in 1979 he played in the U.S.A. but he returned to England to rejoin Tranmere a few weeks ago.

RAY MATHIAS (Defender). Ray is now the club's coach, turning out only in emergencies. He is a one-club man who made his League debut back in 1967/68 and who has now played well over 550 League matches for the club.

DAVID BURGESS (Defender). David made his League debut against Hull City on the opening day of 1981/82 and has not missed a game since.

BRYAN HAMILTON (Midfield). Bryan is

Tranmere's player-manager, a post he took over three seasons ago. A player of vast experience, he has been capped by N. Ireland on 50 occasions. Ipswich signed him from Linfield for £30,000 in 1971 and sold him to Everton for £40,000 some four years later. He joined Millwall in 1977 and then moved on to Swindon in 1979. He retired from League soccer to become their reserve-team manager but made a playing come-back with the Wiltshire club before taking on his current challenge.

JOHN ASPINALL (Midfield). John joined Tranmere from a local club early last season and quickly established himself in the first-team.

GARY WILLIAMS (Midfield). Gary made one solitary League appearance for Tranmere in 1976/77 and then joined Swedish club Djurgarden. Blackpool signed him for £40,000 in 1980 but sold him to Swindon for a similar fee a year later. Tranmere signed him during the 1982 close-season.

MARK FERGUSON (Midfield). Mark got his chance in Tranmere's League eleven two seasons ago and earned himself a regular place last term.

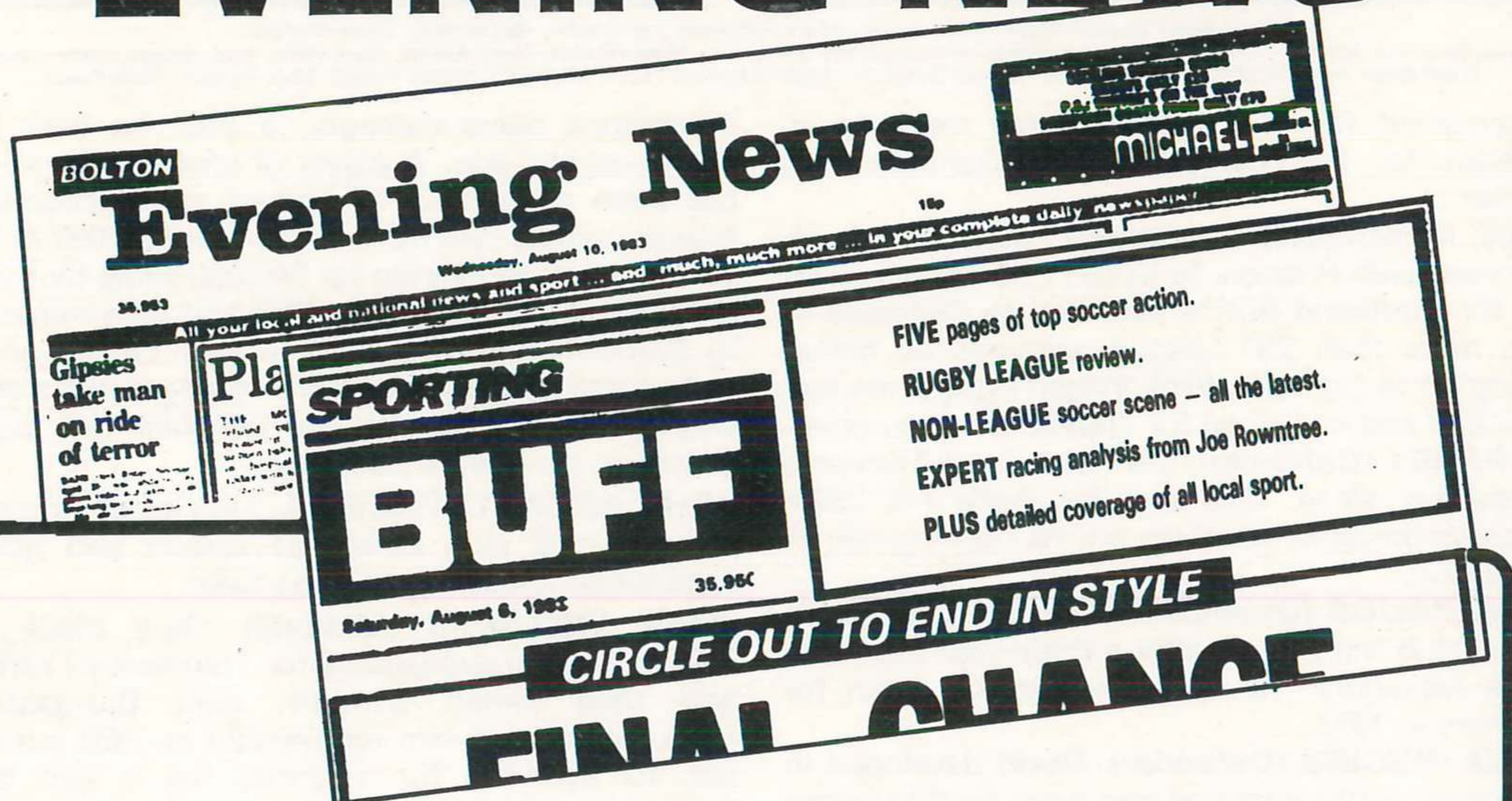
MARK HILDITCH (Forward). Mark made his League debut for Rochdale in 1977/78 and two seasons ago was their leading scorer with 15 goals. When he was released at the end of last season he was signed by Tranmere.

MARK ALLEN (Forward). Mark developed in Burnley's junior teams and was given a couple of outings in their League eleven two seasons ago. Tranmere signed him this summer.

OWEN BROWN (Forward). Owen has been one of Tranmere's chief goalscorers for the past two seasons, scoring 14 goals in 1981/82 and 15 last season. Owen's first club was Liverpool where he was a reserve player. He moved on to Carlisle for whom he made his League debut in 1980/81. Though he scored twice in only four matches, the Cumbrians allowed him to move on to Tranmere in 1981.

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'Previous Encounters'

Our visitors this evening have yet to win a game against the Wanderers with our league record showing two wins and two draws with all the games taking place in the Third Division.

Our first league meeting took place at Prenton Park in September 1971 when a scoreless draw resulted before a crowd of 6,988.

The following April, an Easter Monday crowd of 6,216 saw a John Byrom goal win the game for Bolton.

The last meeting between the two sides at Burnden took place in September 1972 when the two sides were as follows.

Bolton: C. Wright, Ritson, McAllister, Waldron, P. Jones, Rimmer, Byrom, G. Jones, Greaves, R. Wright, Phillips. Sub. Nicholson.

Tranmere: Lawrence, Fagan, Farrimond, Molyneux, Yeats, Matthias, Russell, Duffy, Young, Veitch, Crossley. Sub. Flood for Young.

It was Ralph Wright who got a standing ovation at the end of the game for it took 80 minutes to break down the Tranmere defence and it was Wright that was fouled by Molyneux to win the Wanderers a penalty. Garry Jones stepped up to convert his second penalty in 5 days and it was Wright who 2 minutes later completed the scoring when he chased a through ball to smash it past Tommy Lawrence in the Rovers goal.

Tranmere almost grabbed a consolation goal when Flood hit the post but it wasn't their day with bookings for Matthias for a foul and former Wanderer's full back Syd Farrimond who deliberately handled the ball.

This Wanderers victory left them in 6th position, 2 points behind leaders Walsall, Tranmere on the other hand were lying just below half way.

The last meeting between the two sides prior to last Saturday was on Boxing Day 1972 when the biggest crowd for this fixture and Tranmere's best of the season 14,356 saw the Wanderers travel to Prenton Park as leaders and earn a point in a 1-1 draw.

Eddie Loyden had given Tranmere who were in 4th place a first half lead before Garry Jones equalised to keep Wanderers top of the league.

Players that have worn both Tranmere and Bolton shirts since the war include John Wheeler, John Thomas, Graham Rowe, Dick Oxtoby, John Manning, Mike McBurney, Les Jones, Vince Dillon, John Connor and Syd Farrimond.

'FLASHBACK'

15 years ago

16th November 1968. The Wanderers visited Middlesbrough and came away with a point in a scoreless draw. Teenager Paul Fletcher was dropped despite scoring on his debut to be replaced by Dave Lennard whilst Gareth Williams came into the side for the injured Roy Greaves. Geoff Bromilow made his full first team debut with a crowd of 18,458 at Ayresome Park.

23rd November 1968. The lowest crowd of the season to date, 7,005 came to Burnden for the visit of Birmingham City. The Wanderers were unchanged with a goalless draw resulting for the second time in a week.

10 years ago

13th November 1973. Bolton visited high flying Sunderland and went down by 3 goals to 0. The Wanderers were hampered by the loss of centre-half Paul Jones after only 15 minutes through injury. They held out until a minute before half time when Vic Halom scored. Denis Tueart got their second from the penalty spot whilst Ian Porterfield rounded off their victory with the third.

17th November 1973. With only 5 goals in the last 10 games manager Jimmy Armfield dropped Garry Jones replacing him with debutant Mike McBurney for the visit of Notts County to Burnden. Centre-half Sam Allardyce also made his league debut before Burnden's smallest gate of the season to date of 11,850. After only 20 minutes County were two up through Brian Stubbs and Kevin Randall. Randall scored their third after 74 minutes and although Roy Greaves pulled a goal back with a header 10 minutes from time the Wanderers were a well beaten side.

24th November 1973. Bolton visited Cardiff City once again making changes on the way. Ron Phillips and Neil Whatmore returned but a goal from Gil Reece sent the Wanderers down to their eighth defeat in ten games.

5 years ago

18th November 1978. West Bromwich Albion won 1-0 here at Burnden with a goal 10 minutes from time by Ally Brown. The game was played in poor conditions with heavy rain turning the pitch into a quagmire.

21st November 1978. Bolton visited Birmingham City but came away with a 3-0 defeat.

25th November 1978. Nottingham Forest extended their unbeaten run to 42 games with a 1-0 win here at Burnden.

Sam Allardyce came into the back four at the expense of David Burke in an otherwise unchanged Wanderer's line up. John Robertson scored Forest's winner from a 67th minute free kick from the edge of the penalty area.

The Wanderers felt they should have had a penalty when Peter Shilton pushed Alan Gowling but it was an impressive Bolton performance that gave hope that the run of poor result would soon be over.

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Taylor and the rest of his Second by MacFarland and Mick Jones—hit-yourself plan to get their man. Derby, who nearly went out of business £1million before Taylor's arrival also bought Nottingham Forest for £135,000 this summer.

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RESERVE REPORT

9th November Bolton Reserves 0 Aston Villa Reserves 4

It was a culmination of mistakes and bad luck which resulted in the depressing scoreline, for whilst Villa were the better side for most of the game the result certainly flattered them.

They took the lead after 5 minutes when Kerr shot home after a poor goalkick by John Platt and a mistimed tackle from Neil Berry.

After 34 minutes Villa went two up when a 25 yard shot from Walker which Platt had covered deflected off Kerr to end up in the net.

The Wanderers opened the second half in complete contrast after creating no chances in the first period George Oghani and Paul Keighley both went close with their shots going just wide.

John Platt was also kept busy when he made a brilliant diving save from Kerr and followed this up with a similar save from Norton.

After 61 minutes John Gautrey came on for injured full back Paul Howard who was making his Central League debut for the Wanderers.

George Orghani was heavily involved in the Wanderers attacks firstly he saw his header from a Keighley cross go inches wide and then he hit the post with Mervyn Day in the Villa goal well beaten.

After 75 minutes Villa got their third when Norton scored with a direct free kick from 20 yards with the linesman flagging for offside which the referee ignored.

5 minutes later the Wanderers almost pulled one back when firstly Steve Saunders and then George Orghani missed chances in front of goal.

Villa completed the scoring a minute from time when Kerr slotted home a cross from Obi with the Wanderers defence caught too far upfield.

Manager John McGovern played after his injury, and after a quiet first half gave a good display in the second working well with winger Orghani.

Team: Platt, Howard, Phillips, McGovern, Berry, Madden, Keighley, Saunders, Rudge, Booth, Orghani. Sub. Gautrey for Howard.

YOUTH TEAM NEWS

1st November 1983. Blackburn Rovers Youth 1 Bolton Wanderers Youth 4 Wanderers youth team gave a tremendous display in the 2nd round of the Lancashire FA Youth Cup at Ewood Park. They were without Roy Walker and Dean Roberts due to injury but the Wanderers had the game in their pockets after 24 minutes by which time they had taken a three goal lead.

Paul Crooks opened the scoring after 16 minutes when he shot home after a move involving Julian Darby, Jimmy Phillips and Roy Coghiel.

Paul Booth scored the Wanderers second after 22 minutes when he rose to head home a Jonathon Gautrey corner.

Pual Crooks notched his second 2 minutes later when he headed home a Roy Coghiel cross that virtually sunk Blackburn.

Rover's substitute Tony Diamond saw his shot hit David Madden before going into the net to reduce the arrears for Rovers after 65 minutes. This was the home sides best spell of the game but the Wanderers defence soaked up the pressure well.

Roy Coghiel had the final word after 83 minutes when he received an accurate through ball from Jimmy Phillips before rounding the keeper to score the Wanderer's fourth goal.

Team: Mooney, Davies, Phillips, J. Darby, Madden, Booth, Jakeman, Crooks, Coghiel, Watson, Gautrey. Subs. Howard, Whittle.

FA Cup facts and figures

Tonight's replay will be the 296th FA Cup tie involving the Wanderers (not including abandoned games) and the 121st since the War.

Of the post war cup ties the Wanderers have won 50 games with 32 draws and 38 defeats.

Our record victory in the competition came in 1890 when Sheffield United were thumped 13-0 whilst the heaviest defeat was two years earlier when Preston won 9-1.

If the Wanderers were to lose tonight's tie it will be the first time that a club from a lower division have knocked them out of the cup since 1971.

York City then in the Fourth Division won 2-0 at Bootham Crescent when the Wanderers were in the Second Division.

This is only the third occasion that Bolton have appeared in the first round of the cup since its restructure in 1926. The other two saw victories over Bangor City at Burnden in 1972 and Chester after a replay the following year.



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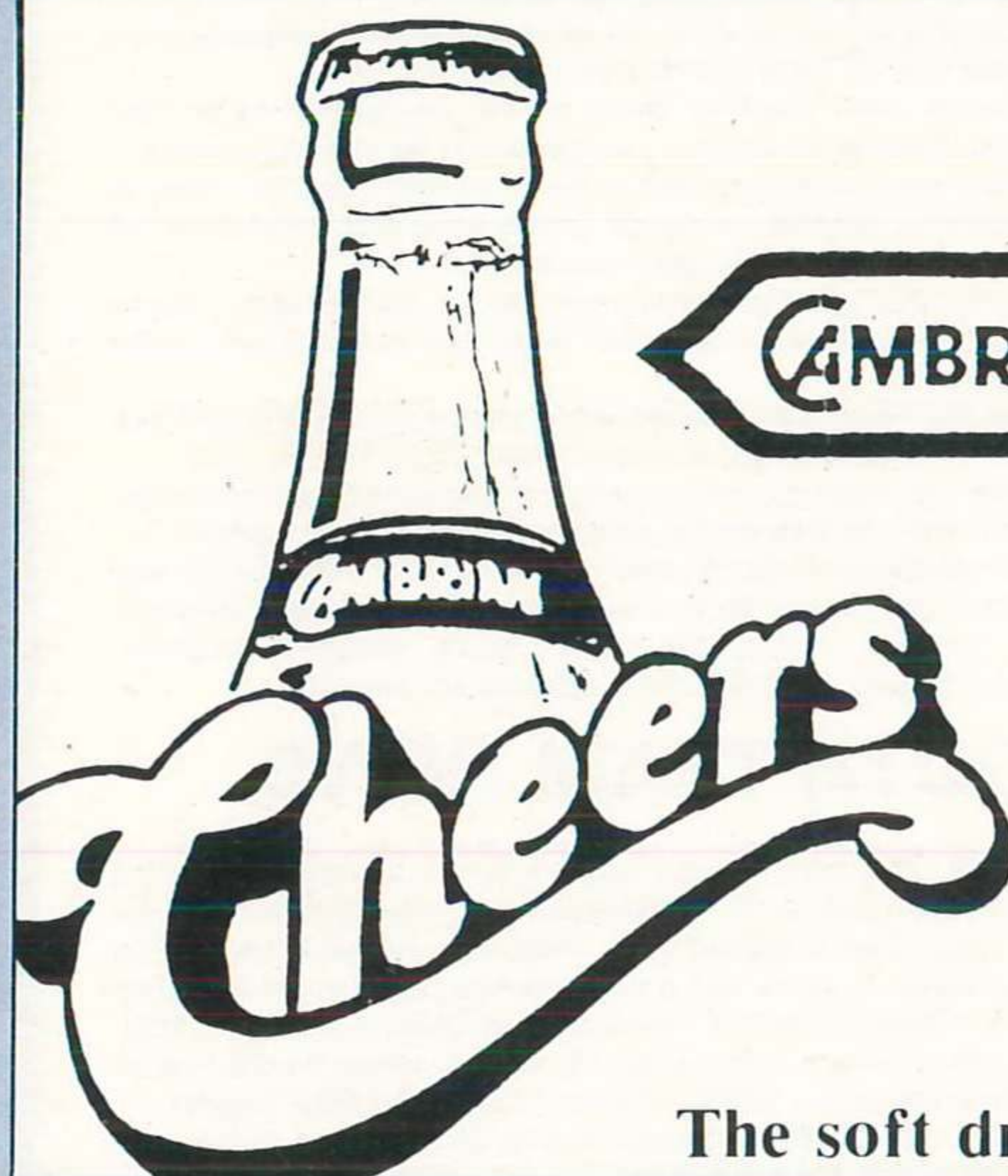
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It was just co-incidental that Norwich City and West Ham United, two of the Canon League's most attractive sides, should announce major shirt sponsorship deals in the same week.

For Norwich City, backed by an East Anglian Double Glazing manufacturer to the tune of £150,000 over the next three years, it was the culmination of over twelve months negotiations with various prospective backers.

Announcing the deal with Poll & Withey Windows, the Canaries commercial manager Mac Mackay explained: "We looked to make the deal part of a sponsorship package. The advert on the player's shirt is not the be-all and

end-all of the agreement. In fact I would go so far as to say that the advert on the shirt is not the most important thing to our sponsor. It is all the ancillary promotions we get involved in. Our job as a club is to create an awareness of our sponsor's product and that is what we are doing here at Norwich."

The deal West Ham United have struck up with Avco Trust, an American finance company, is geared to an unusual incentive scheme that could be worth as much as £200,000 to the Hammers, who have signed a one year agreement with a three-year option.

Brian Blower, the club's Commercial Manager explains: "If we win one of the major trophies or finish in the top three it will prove an excellent sponsorship deal although we are also guaranteed a substantial minimum."

The Norwich City and West Ham United deals boosted the amount of money generated by Football League clubs in direct sponsorship to well over £3 million a year and that is good news for the game.

"An astonishing figure", says Graham Kelly, Secretary of The Football League, "in view of the effects of recession and the misguided belief that League football cannot hold its own in the commercial market-place".

"That figure of more than £3 million", adds Graham Kelly, "is for direct sponsorship only. The actual income earned by League clubs, when individual deals involving one-off match sponsorship, sales of perimeter boards and all the usual ancillaries are calculated, is probably in the region of £6 million.

"The fact that this money is invested in League football, not by

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British national companies who recognise the value of sponsoring a League club include Ind Coope (Leicester City), Crown Paints (Liverpool), Bedford Trucks (Luton Town), Swan (West Bromwich), Findus (Grimsby Town) and Systime (Leeds United).

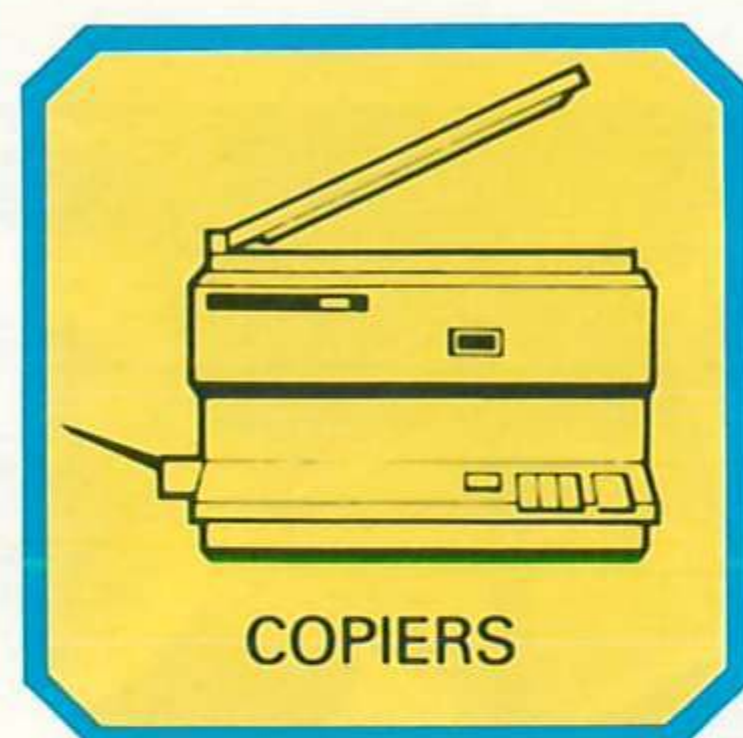
There are no confines to the extremes of League club sponsorship. Hafnia, the Danish meat company, have associated themselves with Everton during one of the longest club sponsorships. Air Florida, who fly between Gatwick and Miami, sponsor Southampton.

Local councils, too, back their League clubs at Bradford and Scunthorpe, and the London Dockland Development Corporation supports Millwall.

"No-one denies", says Graham Kelly, "that the face of football is changing. But the quality of its appeal, whether for business or pleasure purposes, is such that football can look any other professional sport straight in the face — and win".



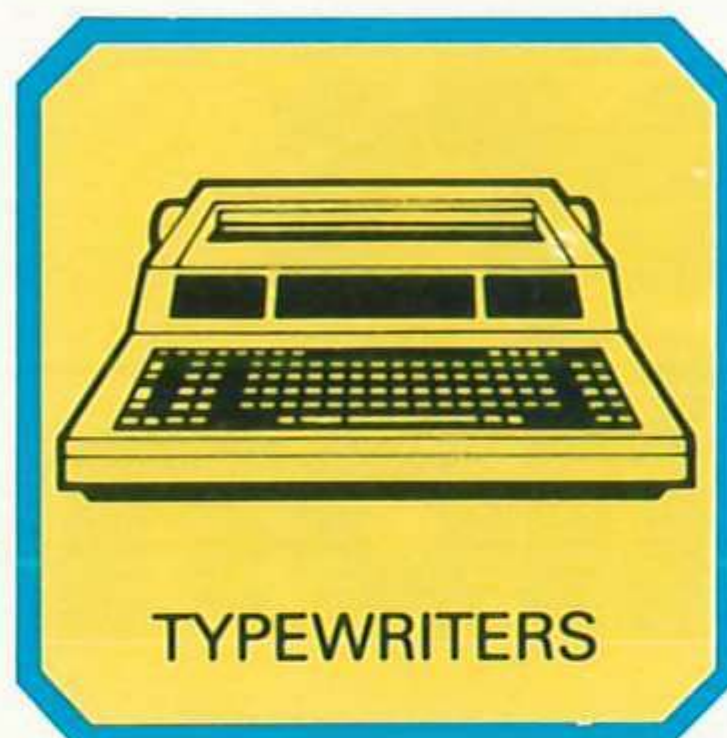
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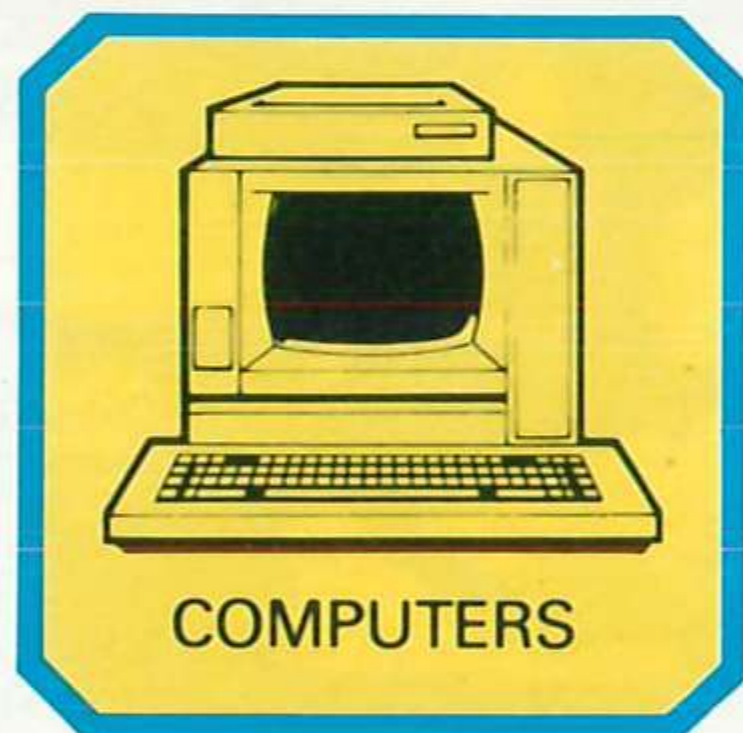
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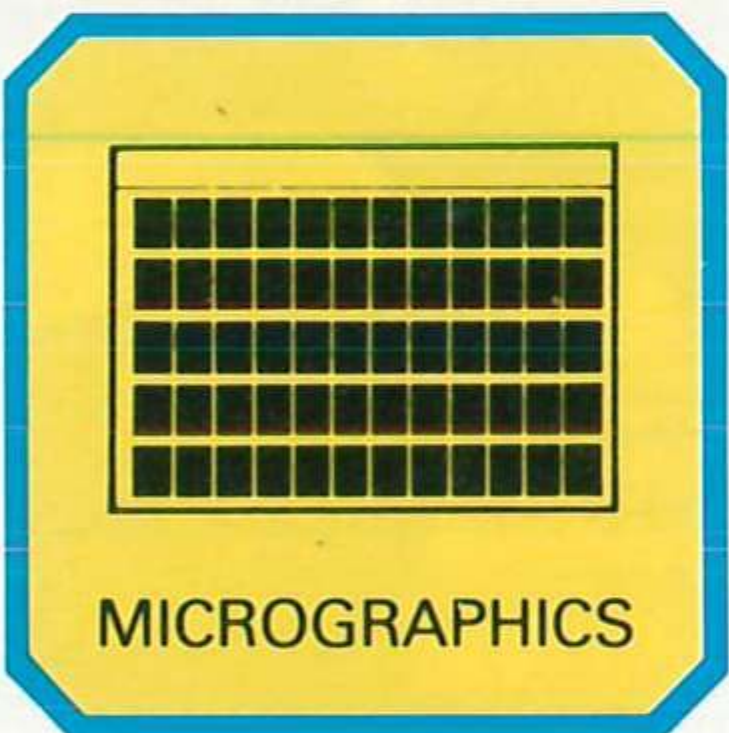
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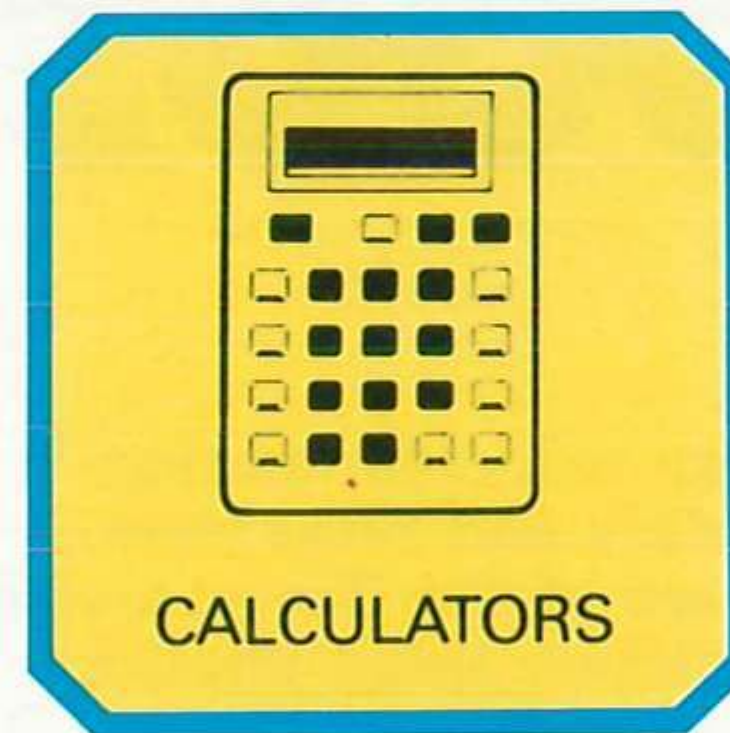
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In days of old when strikers were bold and players were sold in the cattle market — life was a pig.

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The celestial stars of soccer — most of them were real and not paid by The Sun for baring hairy chests — twinkled brightly, were paid a pittance for their sharpened skills and delighted in displaying their talents. But fings ain't wot they used to be.

Now our beer is sloppy, Big Mal's fedora is floppy and our stars are showing the scars of trying to play 60 games a season at 100 miles an hour. They are all being paid the high wages of fear. A far cry from those golden days when Matthews, Mortensen, Mannion, Milburn and Mullen — just to leaf through the M's at random — were being paid a paltry salary for their services.

Then there were guys like the immortal Len Shackleton — do you remember the body swerve or the back heel — who was sold by Newcastle to Sunderland for £20,000. I ask you, even with inflation, that has to be the steal of the century.

Shack had scant regard for directors, managers, coaches or even colleagues who could not grasp that the shortest distance between two points was a straight line — or a precision pass. But then he was a true master of his trade.

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Now the gates are down the wage demands have gone through the roof according to our legislators, who are not exactly on skid row. The stars are skimming off all the cream and the game is facing a cash crisis.

A point to ponder over if you did not wonder just what some of our top managers are earning. The men who live on Snob Hill, wear gold medallions around their neck and are as sick as a carat if they lose a point away from home.

Nottingham Forest's recent balance sheet revealed that a certain member of the staff earned between £85,000 and £90,000 last year. No prizes for guessing who that man might be. It also revealed to shocked shareholders that players wages topped £900,000! Mind-boggling figures which seem to support the current view that our players are being grossly overpaid. But are the players really taking all the money out of the game?

Newcastle are paying Kevin Keegan a reputed £3,000 a week. A lot of dough, but King Kev is one of our few real crowd pullers and, in my opinion, earns every penny because of his commitment and professionalism on the park.

JET-SET

England goalkeeper Peter Shilton earns around half that salary and Southampton are getting good value for money because Shilts is the best in the business at his trade. Glenn Hoddle and Ossie Ardiles of Spurs earn similar remuneration for their skills, but again are real crowd-pullers in a game that desperately needs star quality.

But according to the Labour Research Department, who claim to have carried out the first extensive survey into professional soccer, wages are not wholly responsible for the game's current cash crisis.

Their figures reveal that only one footballer in six was paid more than £15,000 last season. Two thirds received less than £10,000-a-year and a quarter of them less than £5,000. Not exactly exorbitant in an £800,000,000 industry. And let us not forget that a lot of footballers are being asked to take a cut in wages . . . or else.

No, I am not against any genuine star screwing the management for what he can get. It is a short career. What I am against is the speculators who use soccer to generate money. The Chelsea jet set made a financial killing out of the sale of Stamford Bridge.

One deposed director is reported to have received £515,937 from the sale of the ground. That seems a bit immoral and the unacceptable face of football in the Eighties.

I wonder how much they are paying Kerry Dixon? He is the guy who is currently pulling in the customers at Stamford Bridge. His goals are reviving the glory days at Chelsea. I only hope he is being paid as well as a few deposed directors. But I doubt it.

When they cut up the cake in soccer they do it with an exceedingly sharp knife. Who gets the cream and who gets the crumbs is entirely up to the chef!

Alvin Martin

AN ENGLAND NATURAL

BY COLIN BENSON

"You ought to see him in the five-a-side sessions at training, he's one of the best ball players in the club," enthused West Ham United star Alan Devonshire, himself a gifted and respected player who can be seen teasing the best defences in the First Division with his penetrating runs. Who was he referring to? None other than his England and club team mate Alvin Martin.

Martin, a strapping six-foot-two, 13 stone 7lb centre-half has emerged as the best prospect for Bobby Robson's England team following a masterful performance in the Nep Stadium Budapest against Hungary, when his skill and intelligent distribution was one of the highlights of an encouraging England revival.

Since *Anno Domini* caught up with Dave Watson (65 England caps) England have struggled to find a competent central defensive combination. The successful club pairing of Terry Butcher and Russell Osman just does not seem to convey the same dominance in the international arena, and other combinations have looked equally fragile against continental sides who normally do not pepper the goalmouth with high aimless crosses.

There is where Alvin Martin comes into his own. For a big man he has remarkable balance and his mobility provides the ideal foil to foreign strikers who like to play quick one-two's in the box.

He says: "I enjoy playing international football because it is as close as you can get to the West Ham style.

"In the First Division it is always a physical confrontation, the football is fast and frantic, you can never relax, you must always be on your toes. European teams on the other hand work in short bursts, they try to be more precise.

"That suits my style. At West Ham whenever we have participated in European competitions we have done well because our type of football is allowed to develop under those conditions.

"I have always tried to be a constructive player on the field. Although as a defender my main job is to contain the opposition I also see myself as the first point of attack when I have won the ball.

"At West Ham we always try to entertain and when we attack we go forward as a team. We don't like just booting the ball off at the back we like to get hold of it and play a bit. Run with it, go past people and thread balls through to our front men."

TRAGEDY

Martin's international baptism was made against some of the best exponents of this art in the world, Brazil. Ron Greenwood was the man who gave the former Bootle boy his head at Wembley in May 1981 and although England lost 1-0 to a Zico goal it proved a satisfactory international debut for the West Ham pivot.

It seemed that he had all the attributes to step into the shoes of the long serving Dave Watson and provide England with the quality expected in a position in which we had always been traditionally strong.

But as the build-up to the 1982 World Cup Finals gathered momentum tragedy struck. Playing for England at Maine Road Manchester in a memorial match for the late Bill Taylor, Alvin fell awkwardly after challenging Tommy Hutchinson and broke his shoulder on impact with the frozen ground.

However by the end of the following month (March), Alvin had fought back into the Hammers side and was looking all set to prove his fitness to Ron Greenwood when disaster struck again. Three weeks after his comeback he was stretchered-off at Coventry and although the damage this time was not as bad as had been feared, the joints this time had just been pulled out of place, it was enough to rule him out of the Home Championship series and subsequently England's World Cup Final squad.

"That is all behind me now," smiles the quietly mannered big man. "My priority now is to be in the next England squad.

"Obviously I was delighted to get back into the team for that vital European Championship game against Hungary in October. As it happened it was a good game for me to play in by nature of the way the match developed and I thoroughly enjoyed myself.

"Everything went well tactically. Everything that Bobby Robson told us to do we did well and of course those

two early goals set us up well for the whole game.

"My brief was to mark Nyilasi who tends to sit in behind your defence and then tries to run at you when he gets the ball. My specific job on the night was to nail him whenever he gained possession but as you probably realised he sat in a hole, so I had to come out and mark him.

ONE CLUB MAN

"But after we scored our third goal I didn't have to do a thing. It was a fairly comfortable game for me after that just picking off the odd runner.

"Our attitude on the night was just right. We all went out determined to do well, give a lot of effort and work hard as a team.

"It is very exciting being a member of the national team although I have been in and out so many times I would really like an opportunity to establish myself with them.

"When you come back from abroad with a good result like that win over Hungary it sharpens your appetite for the game and makes you want to get out there and play for your club. It is a stimulating experience.

"I enjoy playing football for West Ham United anyway and really I don't think that there is any other club in the country I would rather play for . . . I would never ever dream of leaving them.

"I like the style, I like the fans who gave me the chance to play football when at any other club they might not have given me so much time to settle in. Because in the early days you know I had a lot of bad games, but they never ever got on at me, and that gave me the time and opportunity to build up my confidence and do well.

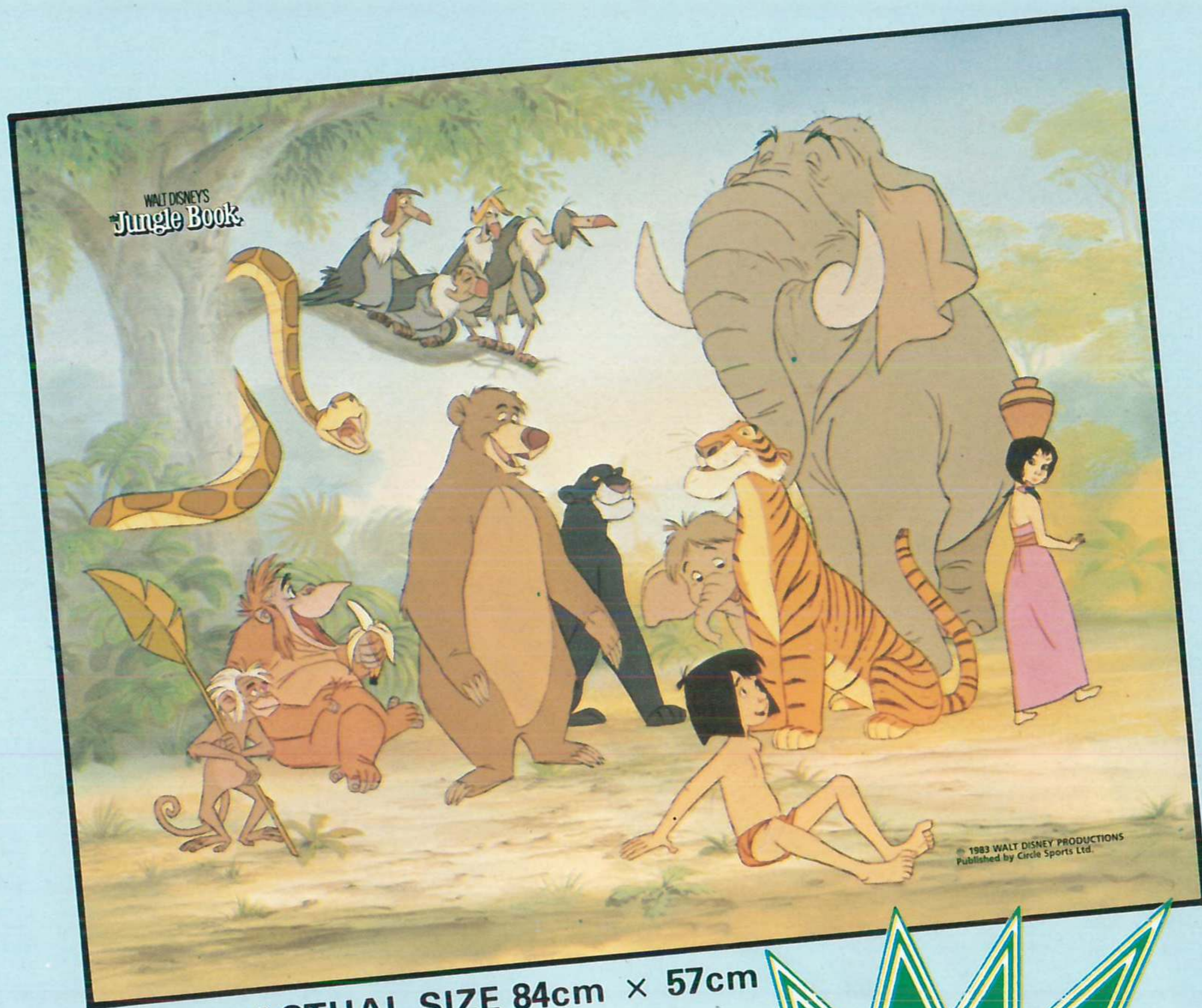
"Another reason is that the manager, John Lyall, knows how to handle me. He has always been very fair with me ever since I was a kid and in fact it is due to him that I stayed in the game. I don't think I would have made it myself."

If the criteria of international football is skill then Alvin Martin, who is still only 25, is the obvious choice. Strong and commanding in the air, aggressive and sharp on the ground, but above all else a footballing central defender who has turned out to be far more than just an old fashioned stopper.



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Although, at its best soccer is played mainly on the ground, the technique of heading remains a vital ingredient, and there can be few experiences more spectacular than a centre forward leaping to head a goal.

However it is a skill which tends to be neglected at schoolboy level and that is a pity because a good header of the ball gains a great deal of satisfaction.

The most common mistake made by young players when attempting to head the ball is that they close their eyes and hope for the best, so first of all I would like you to remember two important factors. 1. Keep your eye on the ball. 2. Always go to meet the ball with your head. Don't let the ball hit you.

Strange as it might sound the feet play an important part in this skill. Your feet provide the base from which the power and control of the header is developed.

The player may face the ball square on or adopt a position in which he stands sideways to the approaching ball but in both cases the feet must be wide apart to give balance and the ball is hit with the flat frontal part of the forehead.

To change the direction of the ball the head is simply turned to the direction required but the contact is still made with the same part of the forehead.

Practice. In pairs. Throw the ball up and head it simply to your partner who catches it and repeats the exercise. Remember to keep your feet apart, meet the ball with your head and **THROW YOUR EYES AT THE BALL.**

If you want to get used to the feel then just hold the ball in front of you, above eye level, and throw your head at it.

Now in pairs throw the ball to your partner who heads the ball up in the air before heading it back to you. The reasons for this is to ensure that you keep your eyes open and at the ball.



(A) Hold the ball at arms length then bend your arms and throw your head at the ball (B).



(C) Alvin Martin keeps his eyes on the ball and meets it at his maximum height.

Continue this exercise serving the ball just a little higher every time to make your partner jump to make contact.

When jumping to head the ball it is most important that your timing is right. All of you have a good foot from which you take off on. If you naturally take off on the left foot then the right knee bends as you go up to make contact.

Points to look for. Remember to attack the ball at your maximum height. Keep your eyes firmly on the ball.

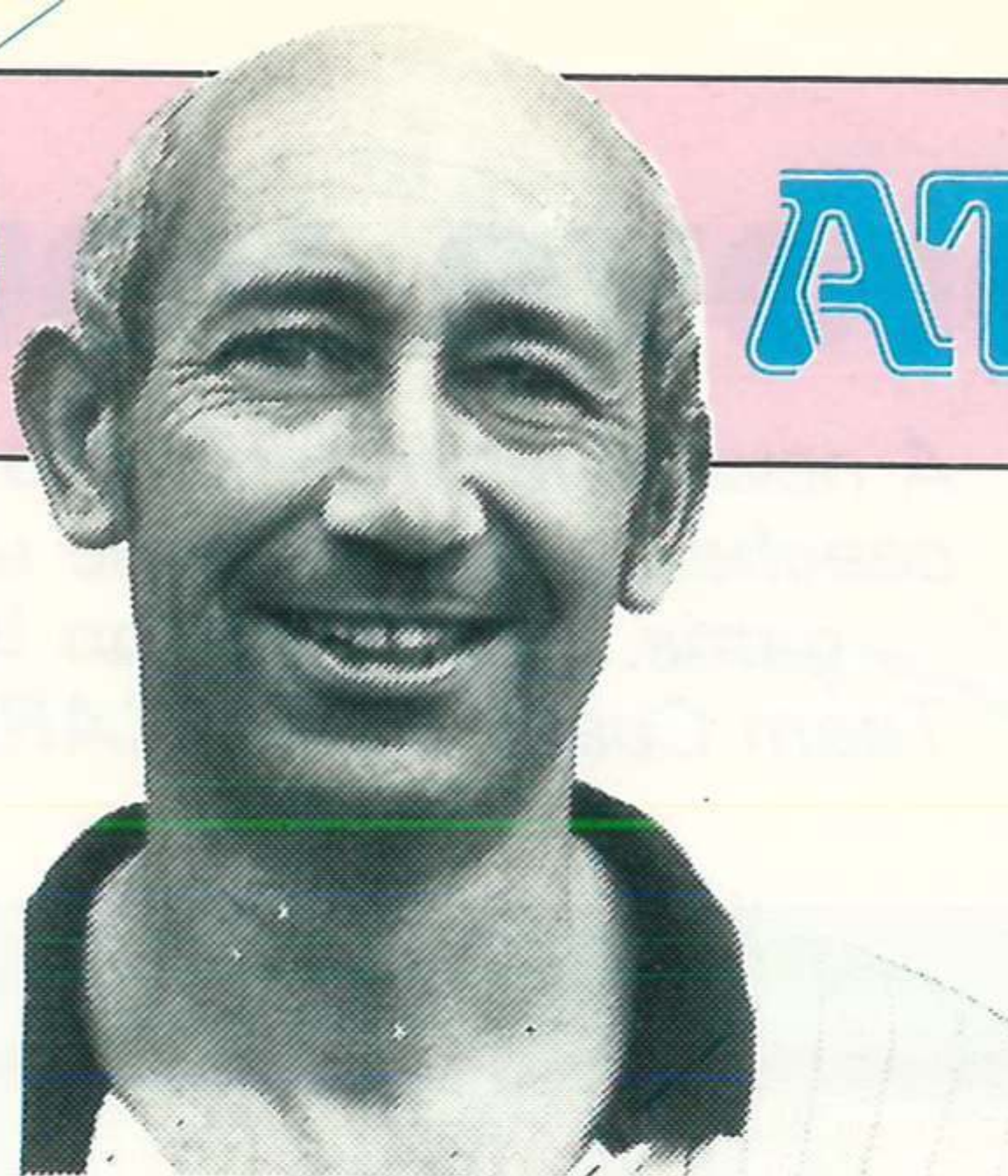
There are of course different types of headers. There is the defensive header in which you are looking for distance, the set-up header which is a controlled pass to a team mate and is usually a downward header, cushioning the ball and of course the attacking header.

Practice. The downward header by throwing the ball to your partner. The server then moves two yards to the side and the header aims the ball at the servers feet . . . Remember to tuck your chin in on your chest.

Single practice. 1. Throw the ball against a wall and head the rebound. 2. Practice bouncing the ball on your head to see how many times you can keep it up. The emphasis here is that you should be under the ball all the time.

Group practice. Form a circle with the server in the middle. Each member heads the ball to the player in the centre. Serve the ball by hand to start with then try keeping the routine going using the head only.

Form a single line of players with the server standing 5 yards away from the front man. The server throws the ball to the first man who heads it back then sits down. The server then feeds the second player and third and so on. When you have mastered that repeat the exercise only this time the server heads the ball to his colleagues.



It's nice to see one of my former colleagues at Peterborough United, David Pleat, doing so well. His Luton Town side which became embroiled in the relegation battle at the end of last season are now up there with the elite chasing honours.

Says the Hatters' boss: "I can well recall running onto the field at Manchester City at the end of last season like some demented half-wit and after that the only thing I could anticipate winning was Private Eyes Half-wit of the Year title."

Now the young Luton chief is well on the way to establishing himself as one of the country's top bosses. He explains: "To be successful sometimes it is best to make progress slowly. Competing in the right spirit is important and while we are well aware that only a few clubs can win the trophies and be successful, success is relative to the resources at your disposal."

"It is just a pity that in football circles only the winners are deemed successful, the rest of us are labelled as failures."

BRAZILIANS WIN ON THE FLIP OF A COIN

Brazil faced Uruguay to decide the champions of South America in the America Cup after beating the holders Paraguay in the semi-final. But the passage of Carlos Alberto's Brazilian team was not easy and following a 0-0 draw in the second-leg they only

won through on the toss of a coin.

It seems almost inconceivable that a semi-final of such an important championship could be decided this way but after finishing 1-1 on aggregate after two legs and with no provision in the rules for extra-time or penalties the

flip of the coin proved decisive.

The winning of the toss took some of the pressure off Brazil's new manager but he can't have been happy about his sides overall performance. They struggled badly against a well organised defence and obviously missed the men not released by their Italian employers; Zico, Falcao and Cerezo.

Uruguay, who have won the cup 11 times, reached the final in a more conventional fashion. Following a 1-0 win in Lima against Peru and they achieved the required draw in Montevideo after coming from behind to make the score 1-1.

MAD HATTER!



28-YEAR RECORD FOULED

Coleridge Football Club in the Cambs League earned a place in the "Guinness Book of Records" by not having a single player or official cautioned or sent off or otherwise disciplined since its formation in 1954. But now the cleanest club in the land has had its copy book disciplinary record blotted.

The 28-year clean run came to an end last September when in a reserve team match with Romsey, they not only lost the game but had two players cautioned.

A club spokesman said they were "very disappointed" but they will still probably retain their entry in the prestigious "Guinness Book of Records" as the club setting the record for the longest time without a caution.

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A-Z

PART 10 — BY TONY PULLEIN

F.A. CUP (Results continued)

1924/25 — 1 — Huddersfield Town (h) 3-0; — 2 — Tottenham (a) 1-1; (h) 0-1.
 1925/26 — 3 — Accrington Stanley (h) 1-0; — 4 — Bournemouth (a) 2-2; (h) 6-2; — 5 — South Shields (h) 3-0; — 6 Nottingham Forest — (a) 2-2, (h) 0-0; (at Old Trafford) 1-0; S.F. — Swansea (at White Hart Lane) 3-0; F — Man. City (at Wembley) 1-0.
 1926/27 — 3 — Blackpool (a) 3-1; — 4 — Leeds Utd. (a) 0-0; (h) 3-0; — 5 — Cardiff (h) 0-2.
 1927/28 — 3 — Luton (h) 2-1; — 4 — Stoke (a) 2-4.
 1928/29 — 3 — Oldham Ath. (h) 2-0; — 4 — Liverpool (a) 0-0; (h) 5-2; — 5 — Leicester City (a) 2-1; — 6 — Blackburn (a) 1-1 (h) 2-1; S.F. — Huddersfield Town (at Anfield) 3-1; — F — Portsmouth (at Wembley) 2-0.
 1929/30 — 3 — Birmingham (a) 0-1.
 1930/31 — 3 — Carlisle Utd. (h) 1-0; — 4 — Sunderland (h) 1-1; (a) 1-3.
 1931/32 — 3 — Preston (a) 0-0; (h) 2-5.
 1932/33 — 3 — Charlton Ath. (a) 5-1; — Grimsby Town (h) 2-1; — 5 — Man. City (h) 2-4.
 1933/34 — 3 — Halifax Town (h) 3-1; — 4 — Brighton & Hove Alb. (a) 1-1 (h) 6-1; — 5 — Liverpool (a) 3-0; — 6 — Portsmouth (h) 0-3.
 1934/35 — 3 — Northampton Town (a) 2-0; — 4 — Plymouth Argyle (a) 4-1; — 5 — Tottenham (a) 1-1; (h) 1-1; (at Villa Park) 2-0; — 6 — Everton (a) 2-1; S.F. — West Bromwich (at Leeds) 1-1; (at Stoke) 0-2.
 1935/36 — 3 — Blackburn (a) 1-1 (h) 0-1.
 1936/37 — 3 — West Ham Utd. (a) 0-0; (h) 1-0; — 4 — Norwich (h) 1-1; (a) 2-1; — 5 — Man. City (h) 0-5.
 1937/38 — 3 — Arsenal (a) 1-3.
 1938/39 — 3 — Middlesbrough (a) 0-0; (h) 0-0; (at Leeds) 0-1.
 1945/46 — 3 — Blackburn (h) 1-0, (a) 3-1; — 4 — Liverpool (h) 5-0; (a) 0-2; —

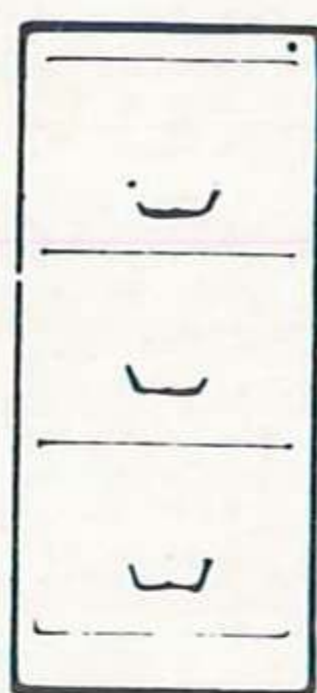
5 — Middlesbrough (h) 1-0; (a) 1-1; — 6 — Stoke (a) 2-0; (h) 0-0; S.F. — Charlton Ath. (at Villa Park) 0-2.
 1946/47 — 3 — Stockport Co. (h) 5-1; — 4 — Man. City (h) 3-3; (a) 0-1.
 1947/48 — 3 — Tottenham (h) 0-2.
 1948/49 — 3 — Aston Villa (a) 1-1; (h) 0-0; (a) 1-2.
 1949/50 — 3 — Coventry (a) 2-1; — 4 — Leeds (a) 1-1; (h) 2-3.
 1950/51 — 3 — York (h) 2-0; — 4 — Newcastle Utd. (a) 2-3.
 1951/52 — 3 — W.B.A. (a) 0-4.
 1952/53 — 3 — Fulham (h) 3-1; — 4 — Notts. County (h) 1-1; (a) 2-2; (at Hillsborough) 1-0; — 5 — Luton (a) 1-0; — 6 — Gateshead (a) 1-0; S.F. Everton — (at Maine Road) 4-3; F — Blackpool (at Wembley) 3-4.
 1953/54 — 3 — Liverpool (h) 1-0; — 4 — Headington Utd. (a) 4-2; — 5 — Portsmouth (h) 0-0; (a) 2-1; — 6 — Sheff. Wednesday (a) 1-1; (h) 0-2.
 1954/55 — 3 — Millwall (h) 3-1; — 4 — Birmingham (a) 1-2.
 1955/56 — 3 — Huddersfield Town (h) 3-0; — 4 — Sheff. United (h) 1-2.
 1956/57 — 3 — Blackpool (h) 2-3.
 1957/58 — 3 — Preston (a) 3-0; — 4 — York (a) 0-0; (h) 3-0; — 5 — Stoke (h) 3-1; — 6 — Wolves (h) 2-1; S.F. — Blackburn (at Maine Road) 2-1; F — Manchester United (at Wembley) 2-0.
 1958/59 — 3 — Scunthorpe Utd. (a) 2-0; — 4 — Wolves (a) 2-1; — 5 — Preston (h) 2-2; (a) 1-1; (at Blackburn) 1-0; — 6 — Nottm. Forest (a) 1-2.
 1959/60 — 3 — Bury (a) 1-1; (h) 4-2; — 4 — W.B.A. (a) 0-2.
 1960/61 — 3 — Hull (a) 1-0; — 4 — Blackburn (h) 3-3; (a) 0-4.
 1961/62 — 3 — Manchester United (a) 1-2.
 1962/63 — 3 — Sheff. United (a) 1-3.
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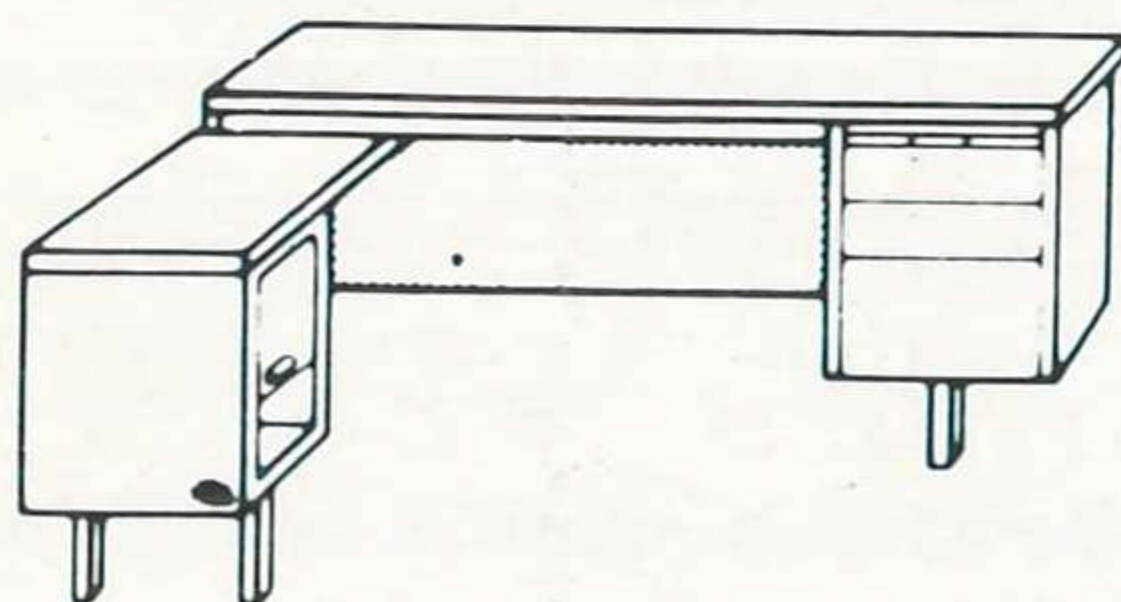
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Wayne Foster in action during the Orient game.

Good to be back! Wayne Foster celebrates his return to the side with the second goal against Orient.



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(UP TO AND INCLUDING SATURDAY 12TH NOVEMBER 1983)

	HOME			AWAY			GOALS		GOALS		Pts
	P	W	D	L	F	A	F	A	F	A	
Bristol Rovers	16	8	0	0	19	6	2	3	3	8	33
Oxford United	16	5	3	0	22	11	4	1	3	13	31
Hull City	16	5	2	1	19	6	2	6	0	8	29
Sheffield United	16	4	4	0	18	8	4	1	3	11	29
Orient	16	5	2	1	13	4	3	2	3	7	28
Walsall	16	6	0	2	18	8	2	4	2	8	28
Wimbledon	16	6	2	0	26	10	2	1	5	10	27
Newport County	16	4	4	0	12	8	3	2	3	9	27
Bolton Wanderers	16	5	2	1	19	6	2	2	4	7	25
Burnley	16	7	0	1	21	7	0	4	4	6	25
Gillingham	15	5	1	2	19	11	2	2	3	8	24
Millwall	16	6	1	1	14	6	0	4	4	14	23
Lincoln City	16	5	2	1	15	7	2	0	6	5	23
Plymouth Argyle	16	4	3	1	11	4	2	1	5	8	22
Wigan Athletic	16	3	2	3	10	10	2	4	2	7	21
Rotherham Utd.	15	4	1	3	8	6	2	1	4	8	20
Southend United	15	3	4	1	15	8	1	2	4	10	18
Scunthorpe Utd.	16	3	3	2	11	10	0	3	5	8	15
AFC Bournemouth	16	4	0	4	12	10	0	2	6	6	14
Preston N.E.	16	2	2	4	14	14	1	2	5	5	11
Brentford	15	2	5	0	12	7	0	2	6	8	13
Exeter City	16	0	3	5	5	14	2	3	3	13	12
Bradford City	15	0	5	2	7	11	1	0	7	6	17
Port Vale	15	1	2	4	6	9	0	1	7	8	6

CENTRAL
LEAGUE FIXTURES

Date	Opponents	Goals F A
1983		
Aug.	31 Burnley	4-0
Sept.	7 Newcastle Utd.	0-2
	14 Derby County	0-6
	20 Manchester Utd.	0-2
	28 Sheffield Wed.	1-2
Oct.	4 Liverpool	0-6
	13 Nottingham F.	0-4
	19 Blackburn R.	2-4
	27 Sheffield Utd	1-3
Nov.	9 Aston Villa	0-4
	15 Everton	1-2
	23 Leeds United	
	30 Stoke City	
Dec.	7 Sunderland	
	14 West Brom A.	
	21 Newcastle Utd.	
1984		
Jan.	11 Liverpool	
	17 Derby County	
	25 Manchester Utd.	
	31 Sheffield Wed.	
Feb.	8 Nottingham F.	
	22 Blackburn R.	
	29 Aston Villa	
Mar.	14 Sheffield Utd.	
	20 Burnley	
	28 Everton	
Apr.	2 Leeds United	
	11 Stoke City	
	18 Sunderland	
	25 West Brom. A.	



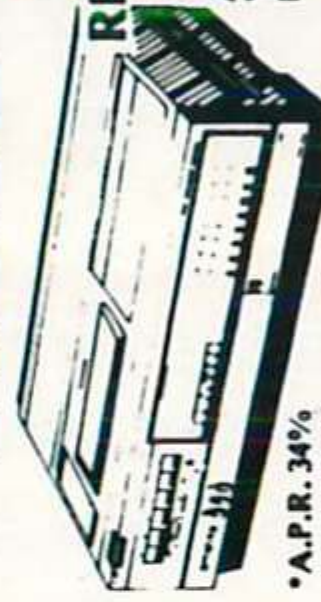
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THIRD DIVISION NEWS

The Wanderers slipped to ninth position in the league after a 2-0 defeat at Plymouth. New signing Kellow opened the scoring after only 3 minutes and Phillips got Argyle's second in the 66th minute.

Bradford City still without a home win entertained Millwall before their best gate of the season. The Londoners seemed to be on their way to their first away win of the season when they took a three goal lead on the hour. City came back to earn a point with as many goals in 21 minutes.

Bristol Rovers took a two point lead at the top of the table after defeating Burnley 2-1 at Eastville to keep up their 100% home record. Their best crowd of the season saw Rovers'

goals from Bater and Williams whilst Reeves scored for Burnley.

Lincoln came from behind to defeat Scunthorpe at Sincil Bank but they needed an own goal from Cowling and a penalty from Jack to eclipse an O'Berg goal.

Oxford stay in second place after their 3-1 win at bottom club Port Vale, and Walsall continued their fine recovery from early season with a 3-1 home win over Gillingham.

Wigan had a scare at home to Wimbledon after having a three goal lead after 75 minutes the Dons came back and almost stole a point whilst another local team Preston North End defeated League Cup giantkillers Rotherham 1-0 at Deepdale with an 80th minute Hinnigan goal.

Orient defeated Brentford 2-0 at Brisbane Road whilst Sheffield United drew yet again at Bramall Lane this time with lowly Exeter City 2-2.

The only scoreless draw of the day was at third placed Hull where the visitors were Newport County who had Aldridge sent off.

THIRD DIVISION FACTS AND FIGURES

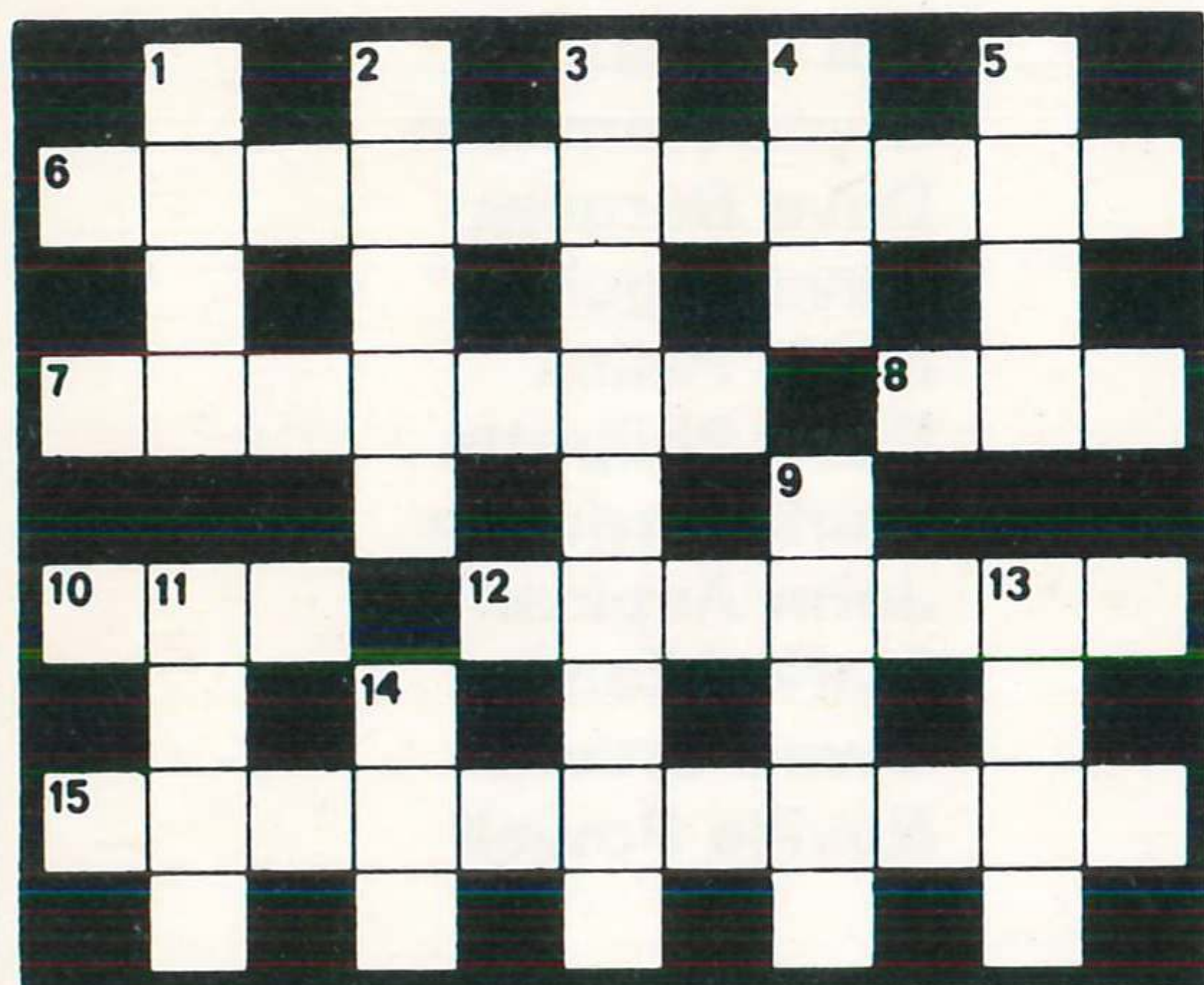
AS AT 12th NOVEMBER 1983

Team	Best Attendance	Average Attendance	Leading Goalscorer
BOLTON W.	9,709 v Burnley	5,777	Caldwell 13
BOURNEMOUTH	4,758 v Oxford U.	3,794	Morgan 6
BRADFORD C.	3,548 v Millwall	2,899	Haire 5
BRENTFORD	8,042 v Burnley	5,136	Joseph 7
BRISTOL ROV.	7,021 v Burnley	5,233	Williams, Barrett 5
BURNLEY	9,551 v Sheff. Utd.	6,830	Hamilton 10
EXETER C.	4,742 v Walsall	3,527	McEwan 6
GILLINGHAM	6,226 v Millwall	3,892	Mehmet 6
HULL CITY	16,728 v Sheff. Utd.	9,601	Marwood 7
LINCOLN C.	6,686 v Sheff. Utd.	3,988	Jack 7
MILLWALL	6,709 v Burnley	5,007	Chatterton, 6
NEWPORT CO.	5,015 v Bristol Rov.	3,370	Aldridge 10
OXFORD UTD.	7,884 v Hull City	6,163	Lawrence 8
ORIENT	4,206 v Bristol Rov.	3,444	Houchen 6
PLYMOUTH A.	5,458 v Sheff. Utd.	4,048	Phillips 4
PORT VALE	4,897 v Bradford C.	4,300	Steele 3
PRESTON N.E.	6,661 v Hull City	4,608	Elliott 6
ROTHERHAM U.	5,518 v Orient	4,302	Gooding 5
SCUNTHORPE U.	4,406 v Bolton W.	3,115	Cammack 4
SHEFFIELD U.	12,441 v Preston	10,419	Edwards 10
SOUTHEND U.	4,272 v Millwall	3,274	Phillips 8
WALSALL	4,964 v Bristol Rov.	3,778	Brown 8
WIGAN A.	4,858 v Hull City	3,505	Taylor, Bruce 5
WIMBLEDON	3,821 v Oxford	2,841	Cork 12

CROSSWORD No. 10

ACROSS

6. Oxford United acquired him this season after he had had ten years with Crystal Palace (11)
7. Clubs may change them for a new season — and not just because they're playing away! (7)
8. — — — Wood, old Coventry and Northampton keeper (3)
10. One of Swindon's 7 across (3)
12. Wood (usually) which the superstitious keeper may touch (7)
15. Close marking for the keeper! (3-4-4)



DOWN

1. Flamengo forward whom Udinese signed in the summer for some enormous sum (£3m, some say) (4)
- 2 & 9 dn. They beat Barcelona to win the European Super Cup in 1983 (5,5)
3. Midfielder who sounds like a self-contained soccer ground; his two Stockport sessions sandwiched a spell with Minnesota Kicks (5,4)
- 4 & 5. The sort of scoring effort not likely to endear one to one's team-mates! (3,4)
9. See 2 down
- 11 & 13. Defender who made no impression at Swindon but was often capped in his two-spell, 250-match Pompey career, eventually stepping up to manage the national team (4,4)
14. On the contrary, this is an easy 'hello' to the next round! (3)

Answers to No. 9: **ACROSS:** 1. Ron Webster, 6. latest, 7. Alan, 9. Gordon Banks, 11. Tims, 12. listed, 14. London Road. **DOWN:** 1. relegate, 2. net, 3. Eastoe, 4. Emlyn, 5. one-sided, 8. O'Brien, 10. Romeo, 13. two.

PICK-NICK No. 10

Solve this cryptic clue to a club's nickname and then identify the club:

PRESERVE THE ASTROLOGICAL SIGN

Answer to No. 9:
BLUEBIRDS (CARDIFF)

ANSWERS IN THE NEXT PROGRAMME

QUICK QUIZ No. 10

1. Which was the last club to score 100 League goals in a season . . . ?
2. . . . and which one almost did it in 1982/83 (yet still collected £25,000)?
3. Who refereed the 1983 FA Cup final?
4. Who are these father-son pairs: John/Kevin, Don/Gary?
5. Who, before Graham Hawkins, was the last to take Wolves into Division One?

Answers to No. 9

1. Six, 2. Dundee, 3. France, 4. Allan Simonsen, 5. Birmingham.

MIXED DOUBLES No. 10

Re-order the letters in each of the words

CRONES and PERSONA

to find the names of two men called "Stuart"

Answers to No. 9: DAVIES, MOORES

ON THE BALL No. 10

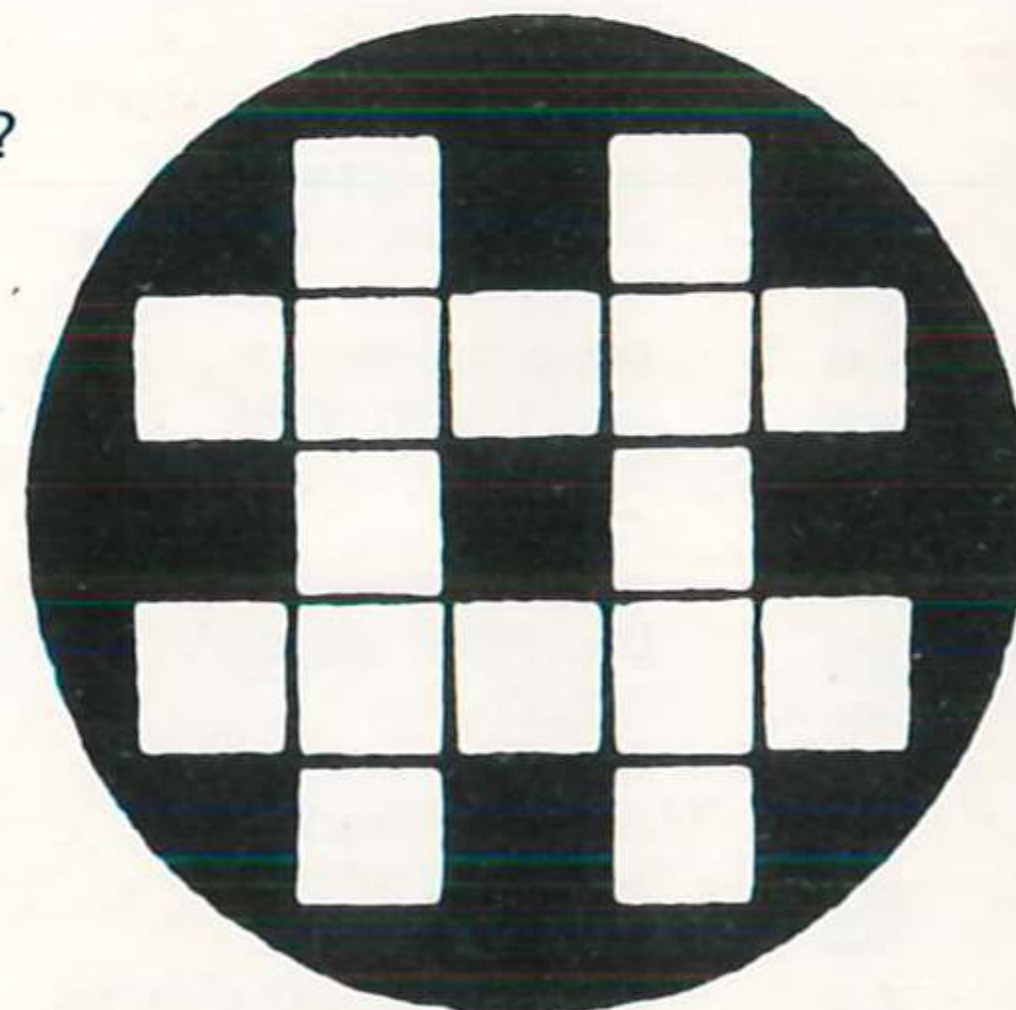
Every answer has five letters and the first one fits into the top line, but you have to decide where the rest must go.

Previously "Pensioners"

John comes next

Hales has it

Ted C, etc. in the Park?



Answers to No. 9: ROOTS, EDDIE, WOODS, STEIN.

TEAMS

BOLTON WANDERERS

White & Navy Blue

Simon Farnworth	1
Brian Borrows	2
Ray Deakin	3
Warren Joyce	4
Gerry McElhinney	5
Peter Valentine	6
Steve Thompson	7
Jeff Chandler	8
Simon Rudge	9
Tony Caldwell	10
Neil Redfearn	11
	12

TRANMERE ROVERS

Blue & White

Dai Davies
Bryan Hamilton
Dave Burgess
Dave Higgins
Mark Palios
Dave Philpotts
Mark Ferguson
John Aspinall
Mark Allen
Owen Brown
Neville Powell



DUNLOP SPORT

TONIGHT'S REFEREE:

NEVILLE J. ASHLEY (Nantwich, Cheshire). Commenced refereeing in 1964 in Crewe and District League, and graduated through Mid-Cheshire and Cheshire County Leagues to the Football League Linesmen's List in 1971 and the Full List in 1974.

A married man, with two children, he is a professional buyer — Pharmaceuticals — and his interest is in referee coaching, keeping fit and road race running. Won representative honours at middle distance and cross country running, and was ranked in the British 880 yards list in 1958. Chairman of Association of Football League Referees and Linesmen (North West and North Wales Section).



LINESMEN:

I. R. CROSS (Stockport) Red Flag
J. A. KIRKBY (Sheffield) Yellow Flag

HALFTIME SCOREBOARD

**A
B
C
D
E
F
G
H**

BANGOR CITY
NORTHWICH VICTORIA
BRENTFORD
DAGENHAM
BRISTOL ROVERS
BARNET
ENFIELD
WEALDSTONE
NEWPORT COUNTY
POOLE
PLYMOUTH ARGYLE
SOUTHEND UNITED
WIGAN ATHLETIC
BRADFORD CITY
WYCOMBE WANDERERS
CHELMSFORD CITY

**I
J
K
L
M
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P**

YORK CITY
MACCLESFIELD
HUDDERSFIELD TOWN
STOKE CITY
LIVERPOOL
FULHAM
NOTTS COUNTY
BIRMINGHAM CITY
SUNDERLAND
NORWICH CITY

**Q
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